rise to such excuse to the other party; and it shall give prompt written notice when such event has been remedied and performance can re-commence hereunder.

SECTION 11. NOTICES. All notices required or permitted to be given hereunder, unless otherwise specified, shall be in writing and shall be deemed properly given when delivered in person to the party to be notified, or when sent by courier service, costs prepaid, or when sent by fax (with a copy by regular mail), to the party to be notified, at its address set forth below, or such other address within the continental United States of America as the party to be notified may have designated prior thereto by written notice to the other;

(a) If to Morrell:

John Morrell & Co. 805 East Kemper Road P.O. Box 405020 (45240-5020) Cincinnati, OH 45246-2515 Attention: President Fax: (513) 346-7552

With copies to:

Smithfield Foods, Inc. 200 Commerce Street Smithfield, VA 23430 Attention: Corporate Counsel Fax: (757) 365-3025

And to:

John Morrell & Co. P.O. Box 5266 Sioux Falls, SD 57117 Attention: Mr. Dave Poppen Fax: (605) 330-3167

(b) If to Producer: